



# Q.C.A. UMPIRES ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENT

TO BE PRESENTED AT

THE TENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

ON WEDNESDAY 8TH AUGUST 1979 AT 8PM

## A G E N D A

1. Confirmation of Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting (23rd August, 1978)
2. Presidents Report
3. Treasurers Report and Financial Statement
4. Invitation to Patron
5. Election of Office Bearers for 1979/80 year
6. Honoraria
7. Annual Subscriptions
8. Any other business which may be properly brought up at the Annual General Meeting

LIFE MEMBERS

WYETH	A.	(deceased)
SCOTT	A.	1972
McINNES	W.	1975
NEWCOMBE	J.G.	1976
JOHNSON	L.	1977
WARWICK	T.H.	1978

MEMBERS OF THE Q.C.A. UMPIRES ASSOCIATION

ACREMAN	K.	1974/75 *	McQUILLAN	A.	1976/77*
ARMSTRONG	J.	1978/79 **	MERLEHAN	M.	1974/75*
BOYLE	J.	1974/75	MILNER	B.	1977/78
BRITTON	F.		MUSCH	M.	1975/76
BUGEIA	N.	1976/77	MOUNTNEY	P.	1978/79**
BUXTON	P.	1974/75	NANCARROW	R.	1978/79**
CARTY	D.		O'NEILL	W.	1975/76
COKER	P.	1977/78	PEARCE	A.	
CROUCH	R.	1972/73	PEARSON	S.	1978/79**
CURNOW	M.	1977/78	PHILIPPE	R.	1977/78
DEVEY	P.	1978/79 **	PHILLIPS	N.	1974/75*
DOXEY	R.	1971/72	PRESTON Miss	L.	1976/77
FORD	H.	1978/79 **	QUERENGASSER	K.	1978/79**
FLETCHER	J.	1978/79 **	RADO	I.	1968/69
GASKELL	R.	1972/73	STACEY	H.	1974/75
GROUT Miss	N.	1975/76	STACEY	G.	1977/78
HISLOP	E.		STRAUSS	J.	1972/73
HARVEY	C.	1973/74	TAYLOR	J.	1976/77
HEATH	L.	1973/74	TAYLOR	I.	1978/79**
HELLWIG	P.	1977/78	TIMMINS	C.	1977/78
JOHNSTONE	C.	1978/79 **	TOOHILL	P.	1975/76
JOHNSON	M.	1974/75	WAKENSHAW	G.	1978/79**
LANCASHIRE	D.	1972/73	WILLMOTT	P.	1978/79**
LANIGAN	S.	1977/78	WILLMOTT	R.	1977/78
McCOLM	F.	1976/77	YOUNG	R.	1975/76
McINTYRE	W.	1975/76 *			

\*\* New Members

\* Non Active Members

Office Bearers of the Q.C.A. Umpires Association for the 1978/79 season:-

Patron:	Mr. R. Spence
President:	Mr. R.H.Crouch
Vice Presidents:	Messrs. T.H.Warwick & M.T.Musch
Hon.Secretary/Treasurer:	Mr. J.W.Strauss
Executive Committee:	Messrs. L.Heath, G.Stacey, R.Philippe, M.Musch, W.O'Neill. T.H.Warwick - Rule 9(e)
Allocation Panel (1st class)	Mr. E. Hislop
Allocation Panel (Grade)	Mr. E. Hislop
Delegate to Q.C.A.:	Mr. R.H.Crouch
Examination Panel:	Messrs. M.Johnson, L.Johnson, C.E.Harvey
Umpires Advisor:	Mr. E. Hislop
Minute Secretary:	Mr. M. Musch - resigned
Hon. Auditor:	Mr. R. Spence

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with great pleasure that your Executive Committee presents for your consideration and adoption the Tenth Annual Report which covers the activities of this Association during the year 1978/79 together with the Financial Statement to 30th April, 1979.

MEMBERSHIP - Registered membership at the end of the 1978/79 season is 56 members.

Due to Business Commitments and for private reasons fifteen (15) members from the previous season did not make themselves available for the 1978/79 season. Twelve new members were nominated into the Association during the season.

During the season we lost the services of one of our long serving members when the Rev. Doug Carty was transferred in his calling to Berrigan, New South Wales.

The only other member lost during the season was a member who had all privileges of the Association withdrawn through being unfinancial.

The average number of Umpires to officiate in any one round of club fixtures was thirty-four (34) and forty-six (46) members took part in one round or more. There were ten (10) inactive members. Our aim is to provide two umpires to each game and if we could get the forty-six (46) participating on any one Saturday we would be just two short of this target.

CONGRATULATIONS - Congratulations are extended to the following members who officiated in first class and other important matches during the 1978/79 season.

Test Match -  
Australia v Pakistan - Mr. C.E.Harvey

International Matches -  
Q'ld v England - Messrs. C.E.Harvey & M.Johnson

Sheffield Shield -

Q'ld. v W.A. Messrs. J.Mc.Boyle & C.E. Harvey  
Q'ld. v Tas. Messrs. J.Mc.Boyle & C.E. Harvey  
Q'ld. v N.S.W. Messrs. M. Johnson & C.E. Harvey  
Q'ld. v Vic Messrs. M. Johnson & C.E. Harvey  
Q'ld. v S.A. Messrs. M. Johnson & C.E. Harvey

Gillette Cup -

Q'ld. v S.A. Messrs. J.Mc.Boyle & C.E. Harvey  
Q'ld. v Tas. Messrs. J.Mc.Boyle & T.H. Warwick

Metropolitan Colts v Country Colts - Messrs. M.Musch & W.O'Neill

Q'ld. U19 v England U19 - Messrs. M.Johnson & T.H.Warwick

Channel 'O' Cup Final - Messrs. R.Doxey & T.H.Warwick

Channel 'O' Competition -

Three Rounds - Messrs. M.Musch, T.H.Warwick, J.Mc.Boyle  
Two Rounds - Messrs. M.Johnson, R.Young, C.E.Harvey, R.Willmott,  
J.Taylor. J.Strauss  
One Round - Messrs. R.Doxey, R.Crouch, W.O'Neill, R. Philippe,  
M/s N.Grout

Q.C.A. Finals -

1st Grade - Messrs. R.Willmott & M.W.Johnson  
2nd Grade - Messrs. J.Mc.Boyle & T.H.Warwick  
3rd Grade - Messrs. R. Philippe & R.Young  
4th Grade - Messrs. J.W.Strauss & M.T.Musch  
U18 - Messrs. J.Taylor & B.Milner

FEDERATION OF AUSTRALIAN CRICKET UMPIRES

In May our President represented the Association at the second Conference of the Federation in Melbourne.

Most of the time was devoted to the perusal of the draft Constitution and matters of procedure arising from last years Conference.

On the final day the Chairman of the Australian Cricket Board, Mr. R. Parish joined in the discussions and it is quite obvious that the Board is more than satisfied with the contribution to cricket now being made by the Federation.

FEDERATION OF QUEENSLAND CRICKET UMPIRES

During the season a suggestion was put to the Q.C.A. that a Queensland Umpires body be formed in somewhat similar fashion to the Federation. This has been agreed to by the Q.C.A. and preliminary meetings have been held. However there are many problems to be ironed out before the idea will come to fruition.

As your Executive Committee sees it, one of the biggest problems is the fact that the Q.C.A. has decided that Cricket Associations, divisions and groups will make up this Queensland body, not as we would have hoped, groups of Umpires. However we shall continue to put forward our views on the matter and trust we will have something favourable to report early in the season.

UMPIRES RECRUITMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

Meetings of the Umpires Recruitment Sub-Committee were regularly held but again with limited success, primarily because the orientation is still towards junior umpires. However as this is of assistance to cricket generally we will continue to support it but will still press for more consideration for recruitment at senior level.

It was intended to hold additional Seminars during the 1978/79 cricket season but because of various cricket commitments it was found impracticable to arrange suitable courses. Three pre 1979/80 season Seminars have been arranged, in July and August, one to include Trainee Teachers.

Q.C.A. Cricket Clubs are also being canvassed to try to recruit umpires from ex players.

#### Q.C.A. CLUB SUB-COMMITTEE

Meetings were held with the Club Sub-Committee and relations with Clubs and the Q.C.A. in general have been extremely harmonious. We expressed the Associations thanks for agreeing to our suggestion for umpires to operate in pairs and it was agreed by all that this had helped to lift the overall umpiring standard. In addition it had been a considerable factor in arresting the yearly drift of members away from the Association.

However some Clubs have expressed a wish to return to the old system of single umpires and the situation will be reviewed during the Christmas break for matches taking place in the New Year.

We would hope that they decide to take further advantage of the gains already achieved by this system and give it further trial.

Further demands are likely to be placed on the umpiring resources available with the possible introduction of an additional grade to District Competition Fixtures. The decision is not final but if it is introduced, it will mean that we will then require (56) fifty-six active members to reach our aim of providing two umpires to each match as against the (48) forty-eight now required.

#### SOCIAL COMMITTEE

An end of season dinner was once again held at the Queensland Cricketers Club. It was a very pleasant evening with pre dinner drinks in the B.B.Q. area and then moving to the main dining room for dinner.

The dinner was arranged this year by the newly formed Social Committee and we must congratulate Mr. Stacey and Mr. Philippe for an excellent effort at their first attempt. They assure us that they expect to even better it next year.

They also have in mind a number of social functions for members and their friends during the year.

It is only hoped that they will have the support of all members by their attendance at these functions as there is a lot of time and effort needed to make all the necessary arrangements.

Please remember that this is your Association and if you have any ideas in which you think your fellow members may be interested, please approach the Social Committee. You are assured that full consideration will be given to any suggestions when organising any such fixtures and events.

#### EXAMINATION PANEL

During the course of the past season the Examination Panel examined fourteen candidates for membership to this Association. Thirteen of the candidates passed the exam but only twelve took up membership. One candidate failed the examination and did not seek re-examination at a later date.

#### UMPIRES ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

Once again we express our appreciation to the members of the Allocation Committee for grade cricket for the difficult task they are required to undertake each season, a task which is made more and more inenviable due to the never ending shortage of umpires.

#### UMPIRES ADVISOR

This Association expresses its appreciation to Mr. Ted Hislop for his efforts on behalf of the members during the 1978/79 season. Each member will receive a report which has been compiled from captains reports submitted during the season.

#### QUEENSLAND CRICKET ASSOCIATION

Our Association is pleased to cooperate with the Queensland Cricket Association and we express our sincere thanks to the Executive Committee for their assistance and consideration during the past season. We would like to thank Mr. Bill McCarthy and his staff for their willing assistance given to this Association. Bill is always available to discuss matters of interest to our Association.

We also welcome Mr. Bob Bigg who, during the season, owing to the ever increasing work load of the Queensland Cricket Association, was appointed to the position of Assistant Secretary.

A special thank you to Mrs. Lorraine Whitney for her efforts during the year, particularly before the appointment of the Assistant Secretary.

#### QUEENSLAND CRICKETERS CLUB

Once again the Cricketers Club looked after us admirably at our Annual Dinner and our sincere thanks go to Lew Cooper and his staff for their significant contribution to the enjoyment of the evening.

Many members of the Association availed themselves of the facilities of the Club on meeting nights throughout the year. Bar facilities are available for members both before and after meetings and our continued support in this area will be well received by the Club.

#### 4IP CRICKETER OF THE YEAR AWARD

At the request of the Q.C.A. those Umpires officiating in 1st Grade matches again this year allocated points on a three, two, one basis to the players whom they considered to have the most outstanding performances in each round of Club Fixtures.

The appreciation of 4IP was again shown by an invitation to attend the Presentation Dinner to all Umpires who officiated at 1st Grade level.

#### HONORARY AUDITOR

As in past years, the financial statement of this Association has been prepared by our Patron and friend, Mr. Bob Spence, and I, as President of this Association wish to express on behalf of the Members, our sincere thanks to him for the assistance he is always prepared to give to this Association.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Your Executive Committee has had a particularly busy year and is confident that the work carried out will prove to be of considerable benefit to the Association in the future.

The Executive Committee met on twelve occasions during the year and attendance at the meetings by Executive Members was: R.H.Crouch (12)  
J.W.Strauss (12) M.T.Musch (11) G.F.Stacey (12) R.B.Philippe (12)  
W.H.O'Neill (5) T.H.Warwick (2) L.Heath (12)

It was pleasing to see the younger members of our Association taking an active interest in the affairs of the Association by nominating for Executive positions and then working hard during the year.

It is only hoped that they are not lost after only one year but will nominate again next year.

Members are invited to contact any member of the Executive Committee with questions or problems that they might have. Even matters which require the attention of the Q.C.A. should be channeled through your Executive Committee and not taken up directly with the Cricket Association. By using this line of communication, embarrassing misunderstandings can be avoided and you help keep your Office Bearers fully informed. Also your problem may be one which is shared by several members and which can be better dealt with at an Association level rather than on an individual basis.

#### HONORARY SECRETARY

I would like to thank members of this Association and all other people associated with cricket in any way, for making my first year as Honorary Secretary of the Association a very pleasant and enjoyable one. I didn't realize that it was such a big task when I nominated for the position and with this years experience behind me, intend to nominate once again next year.

It saddens me a little when I see all the hours given up by your Executive Committee members throughout the cricket season and again during the off season attending meetings and working for the benefit of all members, only to find that a considerable number of our membership cannot spare the time to attend monthly general meetings.

It is your Association and is only as strong as the support it receives from you by your attendance at your monthly general meeting and putting forward your views.

#### SUBSCRIPTIONS

Members are reminded that subscriptions are due on 31st October each year.

It is to be expected that the Executive Committee will not have the unpleasant task of withdrawing privileges of the Association to some members this year as was the case last year. We ask for your co-operation in completing the form in this report and return it to the Treasurer together with your remittance by 31st October.

#### TREASURERS REPORT

Bank Balance at 1st July 1978 was \$171.93  
Bank Balance at 30th April 1979 is \$ 11.92

As can be seen from the Statement of Income and Expenditure and Balance Sheet, the accounts only represent a period of nine (9) months 1/7/78 to 30/4/79.

This adjustment of the accounting period is necessary to bring the accounts into line with a requirement of the Constitution of this Association.

Income:- It can be seen from the Accounts prepared that the major source of funds for the efficient running of the Association come from Membership Subscriptions. Apart from Subscriptions, there are only a few small amounts of income such as a small profit on Association Accessories (e.g. Ties, Tie Bars) and a few dollars from an odd raffle.

Expenditure:- There are a number of reasons for the small balance in the Bank Account. The main one being the further purchases of stocks of Accessories (Ties, Tie Bars).

The amount which had to be found for payment of the two accounts exceeded that which we had in the Bank. So that there would be no delay in the payment of the accounts, five members of the Executive kindly agreed to contribute \$15.00 each to Association Funds in the form of a loan.

The amount spent (\$328) on these Accessories is recoverable and eventually will find its way back into Association Funds as we sell the Ties and Tie Bars, except \$75 to be repaid to those lenders when the funds become available.

The expenditure on Printing & Stationery is rather high this year. This was for the printing of 1000 Association Letterheads and 1000 Membership Cards. They should be sufficient for some time to come and I would like to thank Mr. Stacey for his assistance in having this printing done for us at a considerable saving to the Association.

The largest proportion of each members subscription (\$10) to go on any one item was 26.4% or \$2.64 on postage.

Some of you may not be aware of it, but this Association has to reimburse the Q.C.A. for the postage incurred in sending out the Umpires Appointments for the thirteen (13) rounds of Club Fixtures.

There were no outstanding accounts at 30th April, 1979. However we now have to hand the account for Mr. Crouch's Air Fare & Expenses incurred for his attendance at the Federation of Australian Cricket Umpires Conference held in Melbourne in May.

We have all the normal operating expenses associated with an organization of our size and kind. We must be fully aware of rising costs and must raise funds accordingly so as to remain efficient and provide the members with the effective management which is expected.

To this end it will probably be necessary to raise membership fees for the next financial year. They have remained static during the last two years despite increasing costs.

All in all I feel the financial position of the Association is sound, however we must choose carefully and wisely on what we spend our limited resources so that benefits derived from them can be enjoyed equitably by all members.

#### CONCLUSION

This year was again a difficult one for cricket itself with establishment cricket fighting to regain in the first class sphere some of the prominence that had been lost with the defection of its senior players to the private promotor. At the time of writing there have been press reports of an uneasy reconciliation and it is well nigh certain that there will still be problems in the coming season. At club level the preparation of pitches and maintenance of grounds is still a great worry. Most of the clubs produced adequate pitches and are to be commended for their efforts.

We extend our thanks to all those members who have supported the Association throughout the year and to all those who may have assisted in any way with any of the off field activities.

We are also appreciative of those Clubs who have made us welcome at their grounds at all times and to those who invited us to their functions and meetings.

We congratulate all clubs and players who enjoyed success during the season and our thanks go to all who gave us their support and assistance.



The Association faces the coming season with confidence. Our umpiring standards are improving all the time and if the recruitment programme brings the boost in numbers that all desire we can look forward to a successful and rewarding summer.

We look forward to the 1979/80 season.

For and on behalf of the Executive Committee,

R.H.CROUCH, President

J.W.STRAUSS, Hon. Secretary/  
Treasurer

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ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION

NAME.....

Enclosed please find annual subscription for 1979/80 season

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SIGNED.....

QUEENSLAND CRICKET ASSOCIATION - UMPIRES ASSOCIATION

Statement of Income and Expenditure

Ten Months to 30th April, 1979.

	<u>1979</u>	<u>1978</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Sale of Ties and Tie Bars	78	116
Sale of Rule Books	7	-
Membership Fees	515	457
Special Grant - Q.C.A.	-	272
Proceeds Raffle	57	-
Interest		
- Queensland Permanent Building Society	4	-
- Commonwealth Savings Bank	-	17
Income - Film Nights	-	18
Annual Dinner	440	-
Subscriptions F.A.C.U. Magazine	50	-
Entertaining Test Umpires	25	-
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<u>Expenditure</u>		
Affiliation Fee - Q.C.A.	50	50
Honoraria	40	60
Purchase Trophy - Blind Wattle Cricket Association	-	17
Postage	131	96
Purchase Ties and Tie Bars	328	-
Purchase Rule Books	4	-
Expenses - Annual General Meeting	24	68
Federation of Australia Cricket Umpires	50	10
Expenses - Film Nights	-	176
Expenses - F.A.C.U. - Adelaide, May, 1978	-	135
Printing and Stationery	70	-
Expenses Umpires' Dinner	3	80
Meeting Expenses	44	53
General Expenses	4	-
Coaching	91	-
Depreciation	40	-
Telephone	5	-
Annual Dinner	450	-
Entertaining Test Umpires	54	-
Subscriptions F.A.C.U. Magazine	50	-
Presentation - Rev. D. Carty	17	-
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Surplus (Deficit)	(279)	135
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QUEENSLAND CRICKET ASSOCIATION - UMPIRES ASSOCIATION

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30TH APRIL, 1979.

	<u>1979</u>	<u>1978</u>
<u>TOTAL FUNDS</u>		
<u>Accumulated Funds</u>		
Balance 1st July, 1978	473	
<u>Less</u> Deficit for year	279	
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Balance 30th April, 1979	194	473
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<u>Loans from Executive Members</u>	75	-
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<u>Funds Provided</u>	269	473
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These Funds are represented by:-

Current Assets

Cash at Bank		
- Commonwealth Savings Bank	12	172
- Queensland Permanent Building Society	-	29
Petty Cash on Hand	25	
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	37	201
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Fixed Assets (At Cost less Depreciation)

Fordigraph - Overhead Projector	232	272
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FUNDS EMPLOYED

	269	473
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R.H. CROUCH  
President.

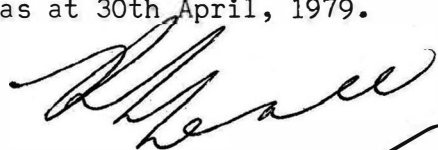
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14TH JUNE, 1979.

J.W. STRAUSS  
Hon. Secretary/Treasurer

AUDITORS REPORT

I have examined the Books, Accounts and Vouchers of the Q.C.A. Umpires Association for the year ended 30th April, 1979. In my opinion the above Statement of Receipts and Payments together with the Balance Sheet as at 30th April, 1979 which have been drawn in accordance with the Historical Cost Convention give a true and fair view of the receipts and payments for the year and Balance Sheet as at 30th April, 1979.

  
ROBERT SPENCE,  
Chartered Accountant,  
Auditor.

14TH JUNE, 1979.